

In Recognition of the 19th Annual Children and Youth Month

WHEREAS, Children and Youth Month was established in 1994 by the Hawai'i State Legislature in order to recognize the contributions of our local children and youth to our communities; and to celebrate the potential inherent in each keiki o ka a'ina; and

WHEREAS, Children and Youth Month recognizes that investing in our *keiki's* future is the wisest decision that we can make as a State; and that we in the State of Hawai'i cherish the opportunity to acknowledge those who have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to our *keiki* and *'opio*; and

WHEREAS, Children and Youth Month will celebrate Children and Youth Day on Sunday, October 7, 2012, at the Hawai'i State Capitol, Frank F. Fasi Civic Center, Kalanimoku Building Grounds, Hawai'i State Art Museum, and the 'Iolani Palace; over 300 exhibitors and community organizations will be participating and providing Hawai'i's families with a day of free, interactive, educational and fun activities; and

WHEREAS, Children and Youth Month is sponsored by:

- The State of Hawal'i:
- The City and County of Honolulu;
- · McDonald's Restaurants Hawal'i;
- The Honolulu Star Advertiser;
- Hawai'i Children's Trust Fund;
- Hawalian Hope;
- OC16 in partnership with Brown Bags to Stardom;
- FM 100;
- · Krater 96 Hawai'i;
- · Hawaiian 105 Kine;
- Power 104.3;
- Alaska Airlines;
- · Hawai'i Tents and Events;
- · Heather's Inflatables;
- Kiwanis International;
- Office of Hawaiian Affairs;
- The Pacific American Foundation;
- Meadow Gold Dairies;
- · AlohaCare:

- · Carmel Partners;
- Chevron;
- HMSA;
- · Hawai'i Community Foundation Ke Au Hou Fund:
- · Hawai'i Self Storage;
- Kaiser Permanente:
- LYON Associates;
- State Farm;
- . The Pacific Resource Partnership;
- Verizon;
- · Bank of Hawai'i:
- · Consuelo Zobel Alger Foundation;
- · Cronin, Fried, Sekiya, Kekina & Fairbanks;
- HONBLUE;
- Mr. Wayne Paakaula;
- 'Ohana Heaith Care;
- Pizza Hut:
- · Ryder System, Inc.; and

NOW, THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim October, 2012, as

"CHILDREN AND YOUTH MONTH"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in supporting the 19th Annual Children and Youth Month and urge all of the people of the State to value your their together as a family and continue to celebrate our islands' children and youth.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-seventh day of September, 2012.

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